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This is in response to the Office Action mailed on October 3, 2002 in which claims 1-5 were rejected. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Please replace the title on Page 1, line 1 and the title located in the Abstract on Page 13, line 1 with the following title:

HARD MACRO HAVING AN ANTENNA RULE VIOLATION FREE INPUT/OUTPUT  
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